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SUBJ: STAG DAVID SCHAAL

REF: A. STATE 212134; B. ANKARA 6288

1. SCHALL IS STRONGLY ADVISED TO DELAY HIS VISIT TO ISTANBUL UNTIL TURKISH SPONSOR ABLE PROVIDE THE FUNDING THEY PROMISED. DUE TO DELAYS AND UNCERTAINTIES WITH RESPECT HIS TRAVEL AND ACCEPTANCE, THE PROPOSAL HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. ALTHOUGH THIS APPROVAL HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS A "MERE FORMALITY", FACT IS THAT MUNICIPAL THEATRE HAS NO MONEY FOR THIS PROJECT AND WILL NOT HAVE ANY UNTIL A NEW COUNCIL (NOT YET ELECTED) MEETS --- PERHAPS NOT UNTIL EARLY 1974. POST'S EFFORTS DURING PAST FEW DAYS OBTAIN ALTERNATIVE TURKISH FUNDING OR ABSOLUTE GUARANTEES OF FUNDS WITHIN A FEW WEEKS HAVE FAILED. POST RECOMMENDS THAT SCHALL'S TRAVEL BE POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY. WE WILL ADVISE PRECISE DATES LATER. THE PROJECT REMAINS A SPLENDID ONE AND IS EAGERLY ANTICIPATED BY THE TURKISH SPONSORS. WE HOPE SCHALL WILL BE ABLE TO ADJUST HIS SCHEDULE ACCORDINGLY.

2. "OUR TOWN" TRANSLATED INTO TURKISH 1969.

3. MUNICIPAL THEATER WILL CONTACT SAMUEL FRENCH REGARDING RIGHTS.

4. RE FUNDING: TURKISH SPONSOR CANNOT AUGMENT ORIGINAL OFFER. SUGGEST PER REF B THAT ANY INCREASE BE COVERED FROM BN FUNDS IN VIEW LIMITED AND REDUCED IV/STAG ACCOUNT.

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